

11. Italic

(See also Chapter 9 “Abbreviations and Letter Symbols” and Chapter 16 “Datelines, Addresses, and Signatures”)

- 11.1. Italic is sometimes used to differentiate or to give greater prominence to words, phrases, etc. However, an excessive amount of italic defeats this purpose and should be restricted.

Emphasis, foreign words, and titles of publications

- 11.2. Italic is not used for mere emphasis, foreign words, or the titles of publications.
- 11.3. In nonlegal work, *ante*, *post*, *infra*, and *supra* are italicized only when part of a legal citation. Otherwise these terms, as well as the abbreviations *id.*, *ibid.*, *op. cit.*, *et seq.*, and other foreign words, phrases, and their abbreviations, are printed in roman.
- 11.4. When [emphasis in original], [emphasis supplied], [emphasis added], or [emphasis ours] appears in copy, it should not be changed; but “underscore supplied” should be changed to “italic supplied.” Therefore, when emphasis in quoted or extracted text is referred to by the foregoing terms, such emphasized text must be reflected and set in italic.
- 11.5. When copy is submitted with instructions to set “all roman (no italic),” these instructions will not apply to *Ordered*, *Resolved*, *Be it enacted*, etc.; titles following signatures or addresses; or the parts of datelines that are always set in italic.

Names of aircraft, vessels, and spacecraft

- 11.6. The names of aircraft, vessels, and manned spacecraft are italicized unless otherwise indicated. In lists set in columns and in stubs and reading columns of tables consisting entirely of such names, they will be set in roman. Missiles and rockets will be set in caps and lowercase and will not be italicized.

SS <i>America</i> ; the liner <i>America</i>	<i>Apollo 13</i> , <i>Atlantis</i> (U.S. spaceships)
USS <i>Los Angeles</i> (submarine)	<i>West Virginia</i> class or type
USS <i>Wisconsin</i>	the <i>Missouri</i> 's (roman "s") turret
ex-USS <i>Savannah</i>	the U-7's (roman "s") deck
USCGS (U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey) ship <i>Pathfinder</i>	<i>Enola Gay</i>
CSS <i>Virginia</i>	<i>but</i>
CG cutter <i>Thetis</i>	Air Force One (President's plane)
the U-7	B-50 (type of plane)
destroyer <i>31</i>	DD-882
HMS <i>Hornet</i>	LST-1155
HS (hydrofoil ship) <i>Denison</i>	MiG; MiG-35
MS (motorship) <i>Richard</i>	PT-109
GTS (gas turbine ship) <i>Alexander</i>	F-22 Raptor
NS (nuclear ship) <i>Savannah</i>	F-117 Nighthawk (Stealth fighter)
MV (motor vessel) <i>Havtroll</i>	A-10 Thunderbolt

- 11.7.** Names of vessels are quoted in matter printed in other than capitals and lowercase roman, even if there is italic type available in the series.

<i>Sinking of the "Lusitania"</i>	SINKING OF THE "LUSITANIA"
Sinking of the "Lusitania"	SINKING OF THE "LUSITANIA"

Names of legal cases

- 11.8.** The names of legal cases are italicized, except for the *v.*, which is always set in lowercase. When requested, the names of such cases may be set in roman with an italic *v.* In matter set in italic, legal cases are set in roman with the *v.* being set roman.

<i>"The Hornet" and "The Hood,"</i> 124 F.2d 45	SMITH v. BROWN ET AL. (heading)
<i>Smith v. Brown et al.</i>	SMITH v. BROWN ET AL.
<i>Smith Bros. case</i> (172 App. Div. 149)	(heading)
<i>Smith Bros. case, supra</i>	<i>Durham</i> rule
<i>Smith Bros. case</i>	<i>Brown</i> decision
As cited in <i>Smith Bros.</i>	<i>John Doe v. Richard Roe</i>
	<i>but</i> John Doe against Richard Roe, the <i>Cement</i> case.

Scientific names

- 11.9.** The scientific names of genera, subgenera, species, and subspecies (varieties) are italicized but are set in roman in italic matter; the names of groups of higher rank than genera (phyla, classes, orders, families, tribes, etc.) are printed in roman.

A.s. perpallidus

Dorothia? sp. (roman “?”)

Tsuga canadensis

Cypripedium parviflorum var. *pubescens*

the genera *Quercus* and *Liriodendron*

the family Leguminosae; the family Nessiteras rhombopteryx

Measurements of specimens of *Cyanoderma erythroptera neocara*

- 11.10.** Quotation marks should be used in place of italic for scientific names appearing in lines set in caps, caps and small caps, or boldface, even if there is italic type available in the series.

Words and letters

- 11.11.** The words *Resolved*, *Resolved further*, *Provided*, *Provided, however*, *Provided further*, *And provided further*, and *ordered*, in bills, acts, resolutions, and formal contracts and agreements are italicized; also the words *To be continued*, *Continued on p. —*, *Continued from p. —*, and *See* and *see also* (in indexes and tables of contents only).

Resolved, That (resolution)

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That

[*To be continued*] (centered; no period)

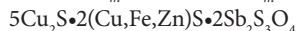
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see also Mechanical data (index entry)

- 11.12.** All letters (caps, small caps, lowercase, superiors, and inferiors) used as symbols are italicized. In italic matter, roman letters are used. Chemical symbols (even in italic matter) and certain other standardized symbols are set in roman.

*n*th degree; *x* dollars

$$D \div 0.025 V_m^{2.7} = 0.042 / G - 1 V_m^{2.7}$$



- 11.13.** Letter designations in mathematical and scientific matter, except chemical symbols, are italicized.
- 11.14.** Letter symbols used in legends to illustrations, drawings, etc., or in text as references to such material, are set in italic without periods and are capitalized if so shown in copy.
- 11.15.** Letters (*a*), (*b*), (*c*), etc., and *a*, *b*, *c*, etc., used to indicate sections or paragraphs, are italicized in general work but not in laws or other legal documents.
- 11.16.** Internet websites and email addresses should be set in roman.